

Chapter 31 - His Heavenly Mate

HEAVEN - LEIGH'S POV

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" I swear to the goddess , if you don't help me get you up the stairs , I am letting you go ." I grit out , trying to pull Kai's drunk ass up the stairs . " I am trying ." he slurs , holding onto the railing . If he were trying , I wouldn't be struggling this much , but goddess knows what's going on in that delusional brain of his . " Come on , about ten more ." I plead , looking up at the stairs and the entrance is close , but not fucking close enough . I take in a deep breath , triggering my wolf side and my eyes glow red before I grip onto Kai's waist tighter and haul us up the next few steps with my wolf strength , well more like extra wolf strength , this man is made of muscle and right now , he just isn't moving any .

" Perhaps if you beg , I might help you to your room ." I tease as we turn into their hall , but I remain silent as we stumble around , him more than me . " Pretty please ." He chimes and I couldn't help but smile as I open his bedroom door and we stride inside before I push him off of me onto the bed .

" Thanks ." he chuckles as his back hits the mattress . His shirt lifting slightly , exposing his toned body . If only he were my mate , kind , silly , funny , lovable , ridiculously hot , but he's not as gorgeous as Grayson and his gray eyes that just melt me .

" Goodnight Malakai ." I tease and he groans annoyed . " Fuck you Pierce ." he grumbles as he sits up straight , pulling his shirt over his head and I couldn't help but stare at his abs .

" Want to lick it ?" he comments , making me roll my eyes . " I'd rather not get an std ." I scoff . " No std's here , just good orgasms ." he smirks , his eyes trailing over my body and I shift uncomfortably . " I think not ." I reject kindly and he pouts , standing to his feet . Great , now he can stand on his damn own .

" Little princess , I promise that you'll have a good time ." His smirk is so selfless , as if he's only thinking of me and not himself as he lifts his hand , cupping my cheek . I frown as he stands closer , his thumb rubbing the soft skin right below my eye .

" Kai , you're drunk . Get back to bed ." I pull away from his touch and he sighs , turning around .

" I can't ." he grumbles irritated .

" Why not ? The bed is just there ." I point right next to him , which makes him glare at me .

" I asked you to that party because I like you Heaven - Leigh , why can't you see that ?" he asks and I stare blankly at him , trying to process what he just said . He can't like me ! He's my beta . My eyes flick down to the floor as I shake my head , taking a step back .

" Well get over your little crush Malakai , I have a mate ." I try to use that excuse but he just laughs .

" The guy who chose another girl over you , who tried to kill you ?" he scoffs , shaking his head .
" Give me a chance ." he steps forward and I suddenly felt vulnerable , I know Kai's hot and kind , but I have never seen him more than my best friend's brother , who's also going to be my beta when I take over .

" It's not how it works , you're trained to be my beta , it doesn't change anything because I'm a girl Kai ." Anger bubbled inside my chest , if I were a guy , this wouldn't be happening . " It does change things , your mate is a dick and you're kind , beautiful , soft hearted and you always do the right thing ." his eyes soften as his head tilts innocently and I begin to smile , shaking my head .

" And the right thing to do is not engage in this romantic feelings you have for me , because you are my beta . Now act like it ." I grit out annoyed . He can't act like this , this isn't good and we'll be punished . What am I even talking about ? There is no we , there's no us and there never will be . His features grow cold as he nods .

" Fine , but don't cry when your dickhead of a mate fucks you over and you get hurt ." Every word is laced with pure jealousy and anger . I nod at him before turning on my heel and leaving his room , closing the door behind me before I walk to my room , I close the door and start to undress , looking at my pj's on the bed and as I stand in my underwear , without any clothes on , I drop to my knees and open my suitcase , putting the clothes I just wore back in it before closing it again . All good and Mia won't know I opened it up . I pick up the big t - shirt and tug it on , shoving the shorts off my bed before climbing onto the bed , switching my bedside table lamp off and I lay in the dark , looking at the white ceiling . My eyes adjust to the dark and I sigh , looking around . I don't want to give up this room , it's big and all my stuff is here , plus I have absolute no heir that would use this room anyway , if I ever do have a kid , they can use the room across the hall .

A kid , I wonder if I'd have a daughter first too , like my mom did . If I would choose one thing to have of my mother , it would be to have her genes , to have a daughter first like me . But then again , I was their only child , even if they tried many times to have more , they just couldn't . I wish I could accept Grayson as my mate , but no matter what , I will always carry the hate with me for what he has caused in my life , he doesn't deserve me , he deserves to be alone , forever . I on the other hand can perhaps find another , maybe a second chance mate or better yet , a chosen one . I'll show him , I don't need him at all . Through out tossing and turning , I can't help but think of how Kai looked at me , his soft eyes as he called me beautiful . Grayson never once looked at me like that . I need someone who's like Kai , that isn't Kai . Why did he need to be my

beta ? I could learn to love someone like him , I could have a happy future . I close my eyes , turning on my stomach as I try to lay comfortably .

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With two loud bangs on my door , I groan as I hear it swing open and shut again , my bed dipping right next to me .

" Time to wake up ." Mia chimes , her voice filled with excitement . It made me happy to hear her happy , but it only concerned me that she was happy to leave our home . " Just one more hour ." I plead as I pull the duvet over my head , hoping that she would grant me more sleep . Her scoffing gives me the answer I didn't want , a hard core no . " Why do you hate me ?" I mutter , sighing as I turn on my side , my back showing to her . " I don't , it's not my fault you went to bed god knows what time ." she murmurs and I feel her shuffle on the bed . " Why is your suitcase laying down ?" she asks and my eyes snap open , I glance at her over the material of my duvet , her glare searching my expression . " What did you do ?" she gasps , falling to her knees and she opens the suitcase , examining it . " Nothing seems missing ." she cocks her head at my clothes and then her intent eyes fix on me . " I took out a jacket ." I shrug and she rolls her eyes at me . " You should've said so ." she grits out , pushing herself off the floor . I smile as I reach down to the floor , the top of my body hanging on the side as I reach for my cotton shorts . " Why is your pants on the floor ?" Mia questions as she kicks it closer to me . I shrug , because there is no explanation . " Didn't want to wear them ." I shrug as I pull them under the covers and I bring my knees to my chest , slipping them on before I threw the duvet off of me . Stretching my arms out above my head . I really should have gone to bed earlier and I definitely shouldn't have gone out last night to that stupid bonfire . How do I tell my best friend that her brother hit on me , that he drunkenly confessed his feelings for me ? I shiver at the memory , it was somewhat sweet , but I mostly felt second - hand embarrassment for him . I know what it feels like to want someone who doesn't want you . " Earth to Leigh ." Mia snaps her fingers and I realize I've been staring out of the window absentmindedly . " Sorry , I mutter as I walk towards the bathroom . " I'm just going to freshen up and get dressed and then pack the last things ." I nod at her and she smiles . " Me too ." with that , she turns on her heel , her hair hanging loose in a sloppy bun in her neck . She closes my bedroom door and I close the bathroom door right behind me . I lean into the shower cubicle , opening the faucet and I hurriedly pull back , not wanting to wet my clothes . I strip out of my clothing , grabbing my toothbrush and shoving it under the shower water , wetting it before applying toothpaste . I walk into the shower , wetting the toothpaste before turning and putting my hair under the running water while brushing my teeth .

I rinse the toothbrush , putting it on the shower wall before reaching for the shampoo bottle , washing my hair and body quickly . As I rinse my hair out , the warm water hits my lower back , making the heat travel to my core , my stomach tightening as my body tenses up . Fuck sakes , I don't have time for this , but it's so infuriating , my body is begging for some sort of release -- well a specific kind of release . Sighing , I give in and my hands take over , sliding down my stomach and in between my legs . I start to stroke my clit , up and down , circling it with two fingers . As my head tilts back , I rest my back against the tiled wall , bucking my hips forward , widening my legs and I lower my hand , plunging one and then two fingers inside of myself , a soft grunt leaving my lips as I pick up my pace , pumping my fingers fast and hard . " Fuck ." I gasp , using my palm to press against my sensitive bud . Bending my wrist uncomfortably , I try to plunge my fingers in deeper , clenching my core , my lips part . Using my free hand , I rub my clit in circles . My muscles begin to tighten as my legs begin to slightly shake , I try to pump my fingers faster , but as my fingers hit the right spot , my muscles tighten to the point I can't move as my orgasm rips through me . With my back relaxing against the cold wall , my breathing is uneven . I stand up straight , washing my hands before closing the faucet . Good goddess that felt good . I wrap my towel around me as I get out , throwing my hair forward and wrapping a smaller one around my hair . I use my other towel to dry off my shampoo and shower gel bottles , placing it in my vanity with my toothbrush and toothpaste . I walk into my room , using the towel to dry the rest of the droplets on my body before I change into my outfit for the day . As I pull on my blue jeans , the towel on my head shifts , shaking my head , it fell onto my shoulder and I tug it off , tossing it onto the bed before I pull my black crop top over my head . Grabbing both the towels , I walk back to the bathroom . I toss the big towel over the door to dry and the other over the handle before walking over to the counter . I brush my copper hair , untangling it before I finish packing my vanity case and zip it up . Walking out of my bathroom , I look around my room , frowning slightly as I walk over to my pj's , I pick it up and put in into a suitcase before I begin to take my luggage down stairs . Stopping on Mia's floor , I yell down the hall . " I'm ready !" before I continue to walk down the stairs , finding her waiting at the door for me . " You take long ." she frowns and I roll my eyes . I don't take long , she just wants to get out of here and I am going to find out why . " Well I was waiting for breakfast to be ready ." That sentence alone makes her nose scrunch up irritatingly . " What ? It's French toast day ." I pout . " Can't we just grab breakfast on the way ?" She pleads , making me sigh as I look at the kitchen , inhaling a deep breath as I smell the delicious foods . " I'll make you a deal ." I smile , which peaks her interest as she nods at me . " I grab one slice and then we can go ." I smile , pointing at the kitchen . Her eyes flick over to the open door , sighing . " Fine ." she grunts as she grabs her luggage . " Make it quick ." she turns on her heel and leave and I dart into the kitchen for a slice of French toast .

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Sitting on my bed , my eyes feel thick and my head is pounding , as if someone is playing drums in the core centre of my brain . I look at the piece of paper next to my bed , frowning at the speech my father made me write . Reach over to it and crumbling it in my fist , I close my eyes before standing up . I don't need this damn paper , I know exactly what I'm going to say and then I'm going to march over to the Argent pack to make things right with Heaven - Leigh , she has to hear me out . I'll beg even if I have to . My father made sure everyone knew to be at on the front lawn of the pack house by ten and it's currently nine . I stride over to the bathroom and strip out of my shorts and climb into the shower , opening the faucet . The cold water soaks my body and I hurriedly wash myself before closing the faucet again and stepping out of the shower , watching as water drips from my body onto the tiled floor . I wrap a towel around my torso before walking over to the sink , brushing my teeth and combing my hair back . It's essential for me to look presentable and they dark circles under my eyes is already in the way of it . I dress in a pair of beige trousers and a white t - shirt with white sneakers before I head downstairs .

I barely sit down at the table next to my mother , " Did you practice your speech ?" my father asks , making me frown at the empty plate in front of me . " Yes dad ." I nod . " Good and are you .. " , " William , enough ." my mother cuts him off , glaring at him as he cocks his head at her , his eyes swirling with confusion . " I'm just asking Diane ." My father explains , my mother shakes her head at him . " He's been through enough William ." My mother grits out before our breakfast is being brought out by servants , placing it in front of us to dish ourselves . " Thank you all so much ." my mother looks every servant in the eye , smiling with her gracious smile and that is the reason my mother will never be hated , she's too kind and caring . She's the best Luna a pack could ask for and I almost made the worse woman alive the next . I offer her a small smile before I dish myself a plate off scrambled eggs , bacon , sausages , fries and fried tomatoes with a side of toast .

" Everybody finish up , it's almost time ." My father chirps in , ruining the appetite I had . I nearly ate everything except the bacon , but I hurriedly pick it up before standing . "I'll wait outside ." I mutter before walking out , seeing the time on the clock . Nine fifty . As I stride out into the daylight , I notice the pack members coming together , they're all probably wondering why we're gathering together and it crushes me to think that they're all expecting good news , like a wedding date or the thought of an heir . Unfortunately all that they are getting is bad news .

My parents join mere minutes later as everyone gathers in front of the pack house , my stomach twists at the thought of having to break these people's hearts and souls .

" Come on son ." my father pats my shoulder before we stride over to the crowd , a servant carrying a small chair behind us and I stop to take it from her . " Join the crowd ." I nod and she bows her head , handing me the chair and scurries off to join the rest . My palms begin to sweat as I stand in front of the crowd , I need to be strong and all of them deserve the truth . The whole truth . " Before you begin ." My father stops me from speaking and I look as another man walks up to us . " Who's this ?" I ask , looking at the man that's dressed in a suit . " The witch I told you about ." My father nods and I hold out my hand to him .

" I'm Grayson ." I introduce myself , the man looks at my hand before taking it . I try to shake , but his other hand rests on top of mine and his eyes roll back , only the white of his eyes showing . He mutters something under his breath in another language before he gasps , pulling back . I pull my hand away as soon as his grip loosens and I look at my dad . " What the hell man ?" I ask , looking around , not too many people noticed what he had done . The man only looks at my father with a sour look and then he looks down at his hands , his nails purple like the dust that came out of the necklace . " It's confirmed , your son was bewitched ." was all the man said before walking away again , bidding no goodbyes . " Rude ." I scoff and my father glares at me . " He's not rude son , he's a very busy man who made time for us today , to confirm what we suspected . " My father snaps at me . " Well he didn't greet or say goodbye. " I frown . " It doesn't matter , now we have all the facts and now you can speak to our people . Go on ." My father motions to the small chair behind me . Sighing , I shake my head and turn around , stepping onto the stool .

" Good morning everyone !" I bellow , the soft whispers and chattering coming to a mute as everyone looks at me with joyful expressions .

" I asked you here today because .." a lump forms in my throat and my jaw tightens as I swallow it . I got this .

" Well because I have some terrible news . " I breathe out , all of their faces fall into a state of worry .

" I please beg you remain calm while I talk and I'll answer any questions afterwards ." I smile , looking over the crowd .

" So Emily , your future luna , is no longer with us . " Gasps erupted out of the crowd and I already feel terrible .

" She had betrayed us , she bewitched me and my feelings weren't real . She also tried to kill my real mate , but she got caught and she was over thrown as my mate is from an alpha bloodline . Emily died for what she had done and I am terribly sorry for anyone who loved her , I know all of you did cherish her ." I watch as people begin to chatter and a few hands fly up . Clearing my throat , I point at the first person closes to me .

" Yes ?" I nod at them . " Why did she try to kill your mate ?" the man asks confused . There's only trust in truth right ? I look at my mom , who nods at me , urging me to continue .

" Because my mate wouldn't reject me ." I answer , moving on to the next person .

" Why did Emily bewitch you ?" A woman asks . " I don't know , she said she loved me but was afraid I didn't return the same affections ." I reply truthfully , at least that is what I took in as she rambled in her terrified state . " Is your real mate going to be our luna ?" Another woman asks and I bite on my lip . " I don't know ." I answer truthfully , I can't say yes and give them hope , but I can't say no while we still have our bond . After that , people just threw out questions left from right and I stepped off the chair .

" That's enough !" I bellow and they all fall silent . " I answered what I could and informed you all about what happened . I have things to do and I don't know if my mate will accept me , but I have to go and try , right now unfortunately . " I speak loudly before turning and walking into the house , leaving the crowd out there with my parents . I can't handle more questions that I can't even answer on my own .

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Pulling up to the Argent Pack's gate , I tighten my grip on the steering wheel as the guards walk up to my rolled down window . " Name . " the dark haired guard orders and I sigh . " Grayson , I need to talk about the alpha . " I request politely , sounding needy as if it were a life or death matter . The man raises his eyebrow at me . " You're banned from here , aren't you ? " He frowns , trick question -- he wants me to lie . " Yes , I am . " I nod and he nods back , " Give me a minute . " he steps away , taking his phone out . He talks for a few minutes before shoving his phone back into his pocket . " Go ahead . " he gestures towards the packhouse and I smile , stepping on the gas . Relief washed over me , I really thought they would turn me away . As I park in front of the mansion , I see alpha Raymond standing outside , his arms crossed over his chest , his chin up , staring right at my car . Blowing out a shaky breath , I open the car door and climb out , running my hands over my t - shirt , straightening it out before I turn to alpha Raymond and walk up to him . His wife nor Heaven - Leigh in sight . " What brings you here Grayson ? " he asks , talk about getting straight to the point . " Goodmorning sir , I really need to talk to Heaven - Leigh . I beg of you . I want to fix things , there are things that I need to explain , that she needs to know . " I plead . Alpha Raymond's eyes flick between mine , letting his arms fall to his side . " I'm sorry son , even if I want to help you , I can't . You just missed her . " he shrugs . " I can wait . " I nod , my eyes pleading for him to let me stay . He chuckles , making my stomach twist in a very unsettling way . " You're going to wait months if you do . " he shrugs and my mouth fell agape as I stare at him with wide eyes . " What ? " I ask baffled . " She's back to her apartment where she studies , she graduates soon . " the proud gaze in his eyes says a lot , she's doing good and he's one proud dad . I wish my dad could look like that when he speaks about me . " I didn't know . " my eyes fall to the floor . " Of course not . " he scoffs . " You didn't give her a single chance when you met . " his face twitches up in disappointment as he glares at me . " I can explain that . " the words fly from my mouth before I could think , making his eyebrows raise in curiosity . " Please , do tell . " he urges me to talk , sarcasm in his voice as he thinks that I'd just give him some sort of excuse . I know it sounds crazy , but I was bewitched by Emily , her necklace was spelled to keep me in love with her , to make her my priority above all . " My eyes look up at him . " You can ask my dad , a witch came over this morning , confirming it as I still had trails of the spell in my veins since she used it so long . " I explain , hoping and begging to

the moon goddess that he would believe me . His eyes widen in surprise . " That's also why we came to talk to her before she died , I needed to know why she had done it . " I sigh , scratching the back of my head . " Well no wonder you were stupid . " Alpha Raymond scoffs , his eyes swirling with amusement and I frown at him for the name calling . " Stupid ? " I ask baffled . " Yes , no ordinary wolf can reject their mate like that unless they're heartless , ruthless and you had so much passion for that girl , I wondered what was going on . But after everything you said , it makes sense . " he nods . " Heaven - Leigh saw the evidence , but thought I was lying . I crushed Emily's pendant right in front of her , a purple dust came out of it , but Heaven - Leigh just scolded me , told me she wasn't going to fall for any more of my tricks . " I sigh . " Well my daughter is stubborn Grayson , but she's also kind and caring . Which means you might have a chance , but her trust is broken and it'll take a lot to convince her that you have changed . " Alpha Raymond says , looking at me challenging . " May I know where she lives ? " I ask hopefully , making Alpha Raymond frown at me . " As a father , I shouldn't tell you . " he insists . " But as a good father , I can see you're a good man and I would like my daughter to have a good man in her life , but I speak in the name of the goddess Grayson , hurt my daughter again and you won't live another day to ask for forgiveness . " He grits out , anger written all over his face . My eyes widen as I nod , too afraid to speak . " I'll text you the address , I have it in my books somewhere . " he nods , making me smile from ear to ear . " Thank you so much , for believing me . " I add . " I could hear you weren't lying . " he offers a small smile . " Now go home and rest , the dark circles under your eyes are no good for a troubled mind like that . " Alpha Raymond points to my car and if I'm not wrong , it's the nicest way someone ever told me that I look terrible .

" Thank you again , have a good day . " I nod at him before walking to my car with a satisfied heart and relieved mind . I can do this , I can get her back . I can have my true mate .

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Unpacking my suitcase , I couldn't help but feel relieved . I wasn't in Grayson's reach , my heat went away as soon as we were far away . I don't have the stress of him just appearing out the middle of nowhere and trying to reject me . His chosen mate is gone , Mia seems more calm than when we were home and well hopefully Kai fixes his problems while I'm here , at university , finishing my degree is business so that when I take the pack over , my father will also teach me how to run the family business — which I don't want but most probably need to provide for our pack . I want to be a good leader , unlike some people I know . I shake my head as I think back to Grayson who almost threw his whole pack away for that little whore , how incredibly stupid can one be ?

" Are you almost done ?" Mia pops her head through my door , pulling me from my thoughts . I turn my head , looking at her , " Uh , yeah almost ." I smile warily as I know I still have a fully packed suitcase on the bed that's out of her eyesight . " Great , because Jason asked us to a party ." her cheeks turn rosy as she speaks his name . Jason is one of the jocks on our school's football team and nonetheless , we are friends with him , well Mia mostly but she always manages to drag me along to his parties . " What ? No , we just got back ." I frown at her , my ass was sore from the ride , I had a headache because Mia talks non stop and I just really wanted to get into my bed and sleep . " Come on , I always go with you to wherever you want ." Mia's head cocks at me , looking at me with pleading eyes . " We just got here an hour ago , I need ..." , " You need a drink to relax . " she finishes my sentence in her own version and I bite down on my teeth as I glare at her . " I was going to say my bed ." I grit out annoyed . " Well you don't know yourself like I do , it's going to be fun ." Her bottom lip pushes out and it curls up into a pout . " Fine . Just for an hour or two ." I agree , but to my own terms . A wide smile spreads across her face as she nods at me . " What time do I have to be ready ?" I sigh , rolling my eyes as I turn and look at my suitcases . " Seven thirty ." she winks before closing my bedroom door and she walks to her own .

Since meeting Grayson , going out and enjoying other people's company just felt extremely wrong , it felt as if my heart wanted it to be him , which I get because he is my mate and now that his little whore is dead , I can finally reject him when I get back . He doesn't deserve me and I definitely deserve more than what he is as a person , because even that is next to nothing .

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" Are you almost ready ?" Mia's fist bangs against my door and I glare at the white painted wood as I stand in my white jeans with a nude colour strapless bra on , a towel wrapped around my hair . " Almost !" I yell back at the door , and with that , the door handle pushes down and she pushes it open , her head cocking to the side as her eyes trail over me . " Almost done is like you just have to put your shoes on or something . This .." her finger points at me , going up and down as she gestures towards my outfit . " This is ' I'm busy getting dressed . ' Got it ?" she asks disappointingly and I roll my eyes . " You can always go without me ." I shrug as I reach into my closet and take my light mint green crop top in hand , pulling it over my head . It has thin straps , exposes my cleavage and hugs my ribs comfortably . " Well you look ravishing ." Mia winks and I bend forward , throwing my hair over my head and shake it out before removing the towel and brushing it , letting it fall in waves down my back before putting the towel in the bathroom . " Well pick a pair of shoes ." I shrug , pointing to the bottom of my closet . Mia's eyes flick over my outfit to my shoes and she takes out a pair of white heels . I grimace at it , staring at it as if it might actually bite me . " I don't think so ." I frown . " It'll look hot ." she smiles , shrugging . I stare at it with disinterest and I could feel Mia's eyes on me . " Do you miss him ?" she asks , making my eyes flick to hers in a mere second . " Who ?" I ask dumbfounded . " Grayson ." she looks at me as if I were a liar . " I guess , I mean he is my mate , but that's probably the only reason why because never in my normal fucking life will I ever love someone so .. stupid and self - centred ." I mutter in disgust , making Mia look at me with pity . " It's okay if you miss him , but just because you are still bonded , doesn't mean he should ruin your social life ." she tilts her head at me innocently and I wish I could strangle her . This isn't even my social life , it's hers . " I guess ." I shrug . Sighing , I stride over to the pair of heels in her hands and take it .

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" He's here !" Mia yells out and I frown , who's here ? I want to go with my own car so that I can come home whenever the hell I want . I stride down the small hallway to our small living room , looking at her with a strange expression . " Who ?" I ask confused . " Jason ." she shrugs . " I want to go with my car ." I argue . " Come on , I really want to drive with him ." she pouts . " Then go with him , meet him down there and tell him I'm out and I'll meet you guys there ." I tell her , pointing to the door . Her eyes narrow into slits , " Then you're just going to stay home ." she frowns . " I won't , I promise ." I hold out my pinky , her eyes flick between mine and my pinky before she lifts her hand , hooking her pinky onto mine before we both kiss our hands , locking the promise . " Fine , but I'll give you ten minutes before I hunt you down , literally ." her eyes flick neon green in a joking manner and I roll my eyes . " And I will always see you coming ." I tease , my eyes flicking bright red before Mia rolls her eyes and grabs her bag . I will see you in ten minutes , not a second later Leigh !" she yells as she heads out of the front door . Good jolly this girl is going to be the reason for my hangover , I feel it . I walk over to the window and watch them drive off . I walk back to my room , grabbing a white denim jacket from my closet and grab my purse before heading out the door , wishing the elevator down would take longer but it doesn't . I walk out of the building front door to my car and drive off to the pin location Mia had just sent me with a text message ,

MIA : See you in five minutes !

Sure enough , I left her on read and drove off .

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Barely lifting the handbrake , I jump out of the car and run up the stairs and into the door , I push the elevator button and walk inside as I press the second floor button . My feet impatiently taps against the floor as the door slowly opens on the second floor and I dart out , looking for apartment number twenty five . I smile as I find it , my chest heaving as I felt out of breath and not because I was unfit , just because I was nervous out of my mind . I lift my hand , balling it into a fist . My ears were sharp as I heard the inside of the door cracking , the wood shifting as my knuckles hit against the surface . The only problem was that I couldn't hear a single movement inside the house . It was quiet and I frown , aren't they here ? I take out my phone and dial alpha Raymond's number .

" Grayson , what can I do for you ?" he answers on the third ring . " I'm sorry to bother , but do you perhaps know if the girls got here safely ?" I ask as I knot forms in my stomach . " She texted me and said they were home , she said she was unpacking ." alpha Raymond shrugs , " Well I don't think they're here now ." I sigh , running my hand through my hair . " Well I really shouldn't be telling you this , but there should be a pot with a small tree near the door ." he informs and my eyes lock on the white pot with a tree in . " What about it ?" I ask , " Lift it up , feel against the bottom of the pot , there should be a key stuck to it ." , " I'll check , thank you ." I sigh . " Oh and Grayson , it wasn't me who told you where to find that key , understand ?" he

mutters as if he were afraid of his daughter . " Yes sir . " I chuckle before ending the call and shoving my phone into my pocket . I look down the hall , hoping that she won't come around the corner and catch me walking into her apartment — it would be extremely weird . Squatting down , I lift the pot and I trail my fingers over the base until I feel the cold metal and a small smile crosses my face , I pull it off and slowly lower the base again before I put the key in the hole and push the door open .

This probably isn't my best idea yet , it could be seen as breaking in , but then again , I am merely waiting for her to come home so that we can talk .

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“Let's get another drink !” Mia tugs on my arm and I almost trip over my own feet as I follow her through the crowd — on second thought , it might have been someone else's foot . It's about our tenth drink in twenty minutes and it's kicking me harder than it should , probably because I haven't eaten since our McDonald's breakfast run on our way over here . “We should pace .” I plead , but if I'm not wrong , she's already tipsy . “No , I want to feel what drunk feels like .” She insists and my eyes widen at the amount of vodka she throws into our cups , it's half vodka with half sprite . “You want to poison us .” I croak out between a chuckle . “And we both know if we were normal , we would , but we can't.” She smiles , tilting her head forty five degrees as she stares at me with a glint in her eyes . She looks happy and I don't want to ruin it . “I know , but I am driving home .” I argue . “And you'll be fine by then after like two waters .” She shoves the red solo cup in my hand and takes a sip of her own . “Just don't let someone taste that .” She points to my cup and I almost laugh at her terrible joke , but then I realize that she's actually serious . “Ditto .” I wink before turning on my heel and heading back out to the busy living room . The blue lights flicker like a club and the music vibrates underneath my feet as I shimmy through the crowd of people . Feeling a hand snake around my waist , I frown at the coldness .

It isn't as pleasing as when Grayson does it .

I whip around , meeting the warm honey eyes of Jason . “What are you doing ?” I pull his arm away from me and he has his other arm around Mia's waist , holding her to him .

“I wanted to ask if you girls want to play some beer pong with us ?” He yells over the booming music and Mia shakes her head , not wanting to participate and I frown , feeling slightly bad for the assumption of him hitting on me for a second . “Sure .” I shrug , “Come support me .” Jason

winks at Mia , her cheeks turning rosy as he takes her hand . I follow the two love birds over to the beer pong table and Jason stand across from me , “Since your partner doesn’t want to play , it’s me against you .” He smiles , twirling the small white ball between his fingers . “Game on .” I lift my own cup in the air and take a sip as I watch him go first . His one eye narrows shut as he aims towards the triangle of red cups in front of me . His hand slightly goes back before flicking his wrist forward , the ball flies through the air , hitting the edge of the cup closest to him , bouncing off it before sinking into the cup behind it . The people around us cheers and Mia stares at him with uttermost admiration . She’s a love sick puppy and I am so going to tease her tomorrow!

“Nicely done .” I smirk as I lift the cup and down the bitter beer . I lower the cup , tilting it and the ball slides out onto my hand and I throw the ball back , if one wins , they go again . I watch as he misses his next shot and I couldn’t help but smile . My eyes flick over at Mia , who narrows her eyes at me and I sigh , I guess I can let him win ?

I just flick my wrist forward and my ball goes sideways , hopping off the table and he catches it . “Such a girl .” He laughs , punching his friend’s shoulder and I frown , my eyes flicking to Mia who was already staring at me with wide eyes .

“Crush him .” She mouths and I smile while waiting for his next try . He sinks another ball and I happily drink it before he tries again , missing , again . I smirk as I aim and throw the ball straight into the first cup . His eyes widen and so do mine sarcastically , “Oops , I’m such a girl .” I shrug sarcastically . “Drink up .” I wink and I see Mia giggle next to his side . He hops the ball back to me and I sink it every time until he has one cup left , standing with the ball in my hand , he stands with a sour look on his face . “I do apologize , but you should have known who you asked to play .” I smirk , my eyes locking with his while I throw the ball and it sinks , his mouth falls agape and I throw my hands in the air , drinking my vodka that Mia had poured me and people around me cheer along , shouting ‘ champ ’ around me . “Loser has to finish mine too .” I wink and the edge of his lips twitches up in a smile as he shakes his head . “You’re a sneaky one , aren’t you ?” He asks as he walks towards me , holding Mia’s hand . I smirk at him , “You remember that while holding her heart because I can sneak up on you and ruin your life too , not just your beer pong champ title .” I wink as I down the rest of my drink , the vodka burning as it goes down my throat . Mia looks at me with wide eyes and I shrug . “I’m just saying .” I shrug and Jason laughs , tugging Mia closer to his side . “I don’t think I ever want her to leave me , so don’t you worry — I promise I will take care of her .” He smiles down at her lovingly and my heart feels at ease .

“Good , because I’m going home — if she’s staying the night , let me know otherwise I want her in bed by seven am .” I push my now empty cup in his hands and stride off before anyone can stop me . I am slightly buzzed , tired and uncomfortable in these fucking heels Mia chose .

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Sliding out of the car with my heels in my hand and my denim jacket slung over my arm with my bag in my hand , I take the apartment keys out of the bag before shutting the car door , locking it and I tip toe inside , the ground beneath me was cold . I awkwardly stand in the elevator , waiting

for it to stop and hoping no one sees me like this . A sigh of relief escapes my lips as the elevator door opens and there's no one there . I pop my head out of it , looking down the hall before stepping out and I head straight to our apartment . I inhale a sharp intoxicating scent and I frown at how familiar it smells , unlocking my door , I step inside and the scent hits me stronger than ever , the smell of him alone mixed with alcohol in my system makes me wet between the legs and I bite down on my teeth as I kick the door shut , striding down the hall towards my bedroom . I stare at my open bedroom door and to my surprise , he's laying on my bed , curled up with my pillow clutched in his arms .

What the fuck is happening ?

I drop my things to the floor before storming over to him , slapping his arm , his eyes hoot open .

“What the hell are you doing here ?” I step back as his legs swing off my bed , his eyes sleepy and my eyes dart down to his abs as his shirt lift while his arms are stretching above his head . I absentmindedly lick my lips , shaking my head as he stands up , his eyes dragging over the length of my body . “Where were you ?” He asks confused . “None of your business Grayson ! What are you doing here and how did you get it ?” I snap at him , crossing my arms over my chest and his eyes flick down to my chest . “I'm here to talk to you and come on , the pot plant outside ? It's so easy to guess where you keep a spare key .” He shakes his head disappointingly and I frown at him . The key was safely hidden , usually people don't feel the base of the pot , but then again — Grayson isn't just any person . “You need to leave .” I grab his arm , instant regretting it as sparks shoot through the tips of my fingers , up my arm and I pull back , gasping as his hand wraps around my wrist . “Don't pull away . Can we just talk ?” He asks , my nerves eating me from the inside out . “Do we need to talk while you hold me ?” I snap at him . His eyes flick down to his hand and he slowly releases , stepping back as he sits down on my bed . I wish he didn't , how am I suppose to sleep there with his scent all over my fucking things ?

“What do you want to talk about ?” I get straight to the point . “About Emily .” I roll my eyes at the mention of that bitch's name . “Seriously ? You came all this way to talk about your dead ex ? Get the fuck out of my house Grayson !” I yell at him angrily . “Not like that , it's not what you think . Please , can you just hear me out ?” He pleads , his grey orbs looking so soft , his throat tightening as he swallows . “There's nothing you can say about her that will make me feel any different .” I grit out angrily . “I know , you hate her and so do I .” My eyes widen at his words . He's trying to trick me , he just doesn't want to be alone and now I am all he has . “Yeah right , go spit lies somewhere else , snake !” I growl . “I can prove it .” He says so fast , I didn't have any time to think . “How ?” I raise an eyebrow at him . “Just listen to my heart while I talk , it can prove that I am telling the truth .” His eyes swirl with hope . “Or it proves that you're a pathological liar .” I smile sarcastically at him .

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Chapter 37 - His Heavenly Mate

GRAYSON'S POV

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Her calling me a liar is a low blow , I don't lie , especially not to her . " Get out of my house Grayson ." she grits out with so much anger , it makes me want to whimper like a lost puppy . Running my hand through my hair , I shake my head as I look at her . " What don't you understand , I can't ." I growl out irked . " And I can't look at you !" she snaps at me , her eyes growing dark as her eyes bore into me . My eyes widen at her outburst and I look at the ground . I can't let her throw me out of here , not until I convince her to hear me out , to let me explain why I did what I did , I need her to believe me because I need her . " Can't we just talk ? Just give me five minutes ." I press my hands together , begging her to give me just a few minutes of her time . Her green orbs flick to right next to me , looking at the time . " Five minutes , that's all . Go ." she demands , her eyes flicking to the floor before dragging up towards me . My smile felt like it was ripping the edges of my mouth , that's how big I was smiling because this felt like hope .

" So I get you hate her and all .." I'm careful not to mention Emily's name before it triggers her . " But so am I , when I broke her pendant , it wasn't a trick , I didn't try to save her because I was furious , if it weren't for the memories in my head and the confusion , I'm sure as hell I would have killed her myself , right there ." I mutter as fast but as understanding as I could , but she looked bored , as if she didn't believe me . " She had bewitched me Heaven - Leigh and my dad brought a witch around to confirm it , my love for her wasn't real , she put a spell on me to keep me around , to keep her in my life . All she wanted was to be was Luna , she used me and you almost got killed because of her and for that I am sorry ." Her eyebrow raises at me , " First of all , she couldn't have killed me even if I were weak , so don't be sorry . It was fun training but even my fifteen year old warriors could have kicked her inexperienced ass ." she scoffs and I bite down on my teeth . Goddess , I hope I didn't insult her .

" And secondly , say I believe your little story , I don't care about it . You and I are never going to happen because you broke my trust Grayson , you should have picked me so go lay in the grave you buried for yourself when you chose that bitch over me ." she seethes , her chest heaving and my jaw tightens as my stomach twists , I got it all wrong -- she'll never believe me . " I didn't mean to . I never would have if I were in my right mind ." I try to explain , but her eyes just fall to the floor .

" Please , I need you ." the words fall from my lips and her eyes meet mine . " Why ? Because you're all alone now ? No second chosen mate hanging around your chambers ? " her words are like venom to my heart . " I just need you , no one else ." I repeat , I need her to believe me . " Should have thought about that before trying to reject me ." she shrugs and I snap , I close the distance between us , her eyes widen as I startle her and she backs up as I step forward until her back hits the wall and she lifts her hand , pressing it against my chest . " I did not even want her ." I grit out , my voice shaky and I feel my eyes begin to tear like the stupid fool I am , I'm weak because I need her .

" I don't believe you ." she whispers , her head slightly shaking . " You want me to prove it to you ?" I cock my head at her , her breathing now erotic as she takes deep breaths , trying to control it . " You can't even if you tried ." she mutters . My hand wraps around her wrist of the hand against my chest and I move it upwards , pressing her palm where I could feel my heart beating out of my chest . " You feel it ?" I ask and her eyes flick down to where her hand rests then back up at me , she shrugs . " Your heart beats , great . Mine does too ." she glares at me , trying to act as if I'm not affecting her . " You feel it , but listen to it while I tell you the next few words and you'll know I'm telling the truth ." I plead . " I never wanted her , when I saw you , I felt like I was going to explode in happiness , but there was this voice in my mind telling me to stay away , that I love her more than I love you , but I don't . I could have let that man kill you , but my heart couldn't because it knew that you were the only one for me ." I mutter and tears swell in her eyes . I couldn't stop myself from cupping her cheek , the pad of my thumb rubbing across her soft skin under her eyes and I lean in , capturing her soft lips with mine in a hungry kiss , a kiss that she's returning with passion . I hope this means that I am forgiven . My other hand snakes around her waist and I haul her up , my hands cupping her ass as I press her against the wall . Her hands hungrily tug on my hair , tilting my head back , she lowers her head , kissing my neck as she licks the place where her mark should come , my cock hard pressing against my jeans . Fuck sakes . I pull her away from the wall and walk over to the desk , putting her down on it and her hands run down my front , her soft fingers slipping under the hem of my shirt before she lifts it over of my head , staring at my abs with hungry eyes , she hooks her legs around me , tugging me closer and I do as she wants . I pull her into a kiss and she puts one of my hands against her breast . I squeeze it , groaning at the softness and she tugs her own shirt off , exposing her strapless bra and beautiful skin to me . She reaches behind her , undoing her bra before tossing it to the side while I stare at how beautiful she is , her copper hair hanging around her shoulders and her green eyes look so alive , it makes me feel like I am living . Her hands reach out to me and her fingers slip into my pants , tugging me closer before she undoes my jeans . " If you're just going to stand there .." she mutters challengingly and I smirk as I reach for the button of her jeans , undoing it and she lifts her ass and I hook my fingers into her jeans and underwear , tugging it off , getting on my knees , I slowly pull it down , kissing her inner thighs downward as I pull her pants off . I could feel the goosebumps erupting all over her legs as my lips trail over her skin . As I stand up , I tug my jeans off , kicking them aside and her eyes slightly widen as she looks at my throbbing cock , her tongue coming out of her mouth and sliding across her bottom lip .

fuck sakes , that's hot .

I drag my fingers across her knee , circling her knee before slowly dragging my fingers up her leg , flicking my thumb across her soaked cunt , her legs jerking shut , but I step in between her knees , keeping them apart as I dip one finger in her , her hips jerking forward as she groans . I bite down on my teeth at how tight she is and I enter another finger , my dick twitching at the grunt escaping her lips . I slowly pump in and out of her , using my thumb to caress her clit , circling it with a teasing pressure . I could see it in her eyes , it was driving her wild . Her hand unexpectedly wraps around my shaft and she begins to pump me , a sly smirk forming on my lips as I realize that she's trying to tease me back . I pick up my pace , making her squirm in front of me , her hand grabbing my bicep as I pump my fingers hard , opening them and that makes her

legs shake as they press against mine . " Cum for me ." I grit out as I lean forward , kissing her neck . I start to circle her clit faster , making her grunt , pressing her body against mine .

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HEAVEN - LEIGH'S POV

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His wet kisses trailing down my neck has me in a frenzy as he pumps me with his fingers . I tightly grip onto his bicep , my nails digging into his flesh as my legs shake . A groan escapes my lips before my cunt clenches , my orgasm ripping through me , his name escaping my lips in a moan . I didn't miss the smirk that formed on his handsome face , it was intoxicatingly attractive , the kind that made me want to ride his face . His fingers slip out of me before he slips them into his mouth and I watch curiously as a groan escapes his mouth . He doesn't take long before his eyes find mine , my breaths short and hard . " You don't look tired yet ." he smirks and before I could stop him , his fingers slip right back into my wetness , pulling out and then replaces it with his cock , sliding right into my entrance and I buck my hips forward as his length fills me up , hitting that spot that makes my body squirm beneath him . " Goddess ." I mutter out of breath and he slides me off the desk , hauling me up into his arms . " Fuck ." he curses and lays me down on the bed . I feel like I should stop him , but I can't . My body feels on fire and for the first time in weeks , something feels right and it's him , if it's only for tonight . He crawls on top of me , hovering above me before slamming into me again , my lips parting and I start to lift my hips , angling myself , making him hit that g - spot that puts me in overdrive . His length fits me so perfectly . His hand cups the side of my neck , his thumb rubbing my jaw and I smile as I place my hand over his , moving it to the middle of my throat and I put pressure on it , his eyes widen as a small smile forms on his face -- he knows exactly what I want . The pace of his hips rolling forward picks up , I could feel his cock getting hard like steel inside of me and I reach down , grabbing his balls in my hand , giving it a soft squeeze before I use my other hand , circling my clit , since he isn't going to . His eyes grow darker as his eyes are fixed on my hand as I pleasure myself , he likes it . His hands trail down my body , grabbing my hips before he starts pounding into me , my body trembling as my legs shake and I come undone , as he comes too . I could feel his warm liquid squirt into me , dripping from my entrance and he looks at me with wide eyes , his lips parting . " I'm so .." , " I'm on the pill , relax ." I roll my eyes before getting up and walking over to my closet , pulling an over sized t shirt over my head that hung past my ass .

" You can sleep on the couch if you don't have a place to stay , but you need to be out of here by dawn ." my eyes dart to the floor , I didn't want to look at him . I didn't want to sleep with him , but when he kissed me , it's as if my mind went blank and all I could think of was that he's my mate and that I want him , that I need him . But it's not that easy , is it ? He betrayed me , he broke my trust . He just needs to go home . " Thanks . " he muttered awkwardly , as if he actually wanted to say something else .

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GRAYSON'S POV

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I'm staring at her with so much confusion , it starts to hurt my head . " Just a blanket and pillow will do ." I mutter and her eyes flick up towards me , nodding . " Right , I'll bring it to you ." she gulps before walking past me to her drawers , pulling open the last one and she pulls out a white duvet . I quickly pull my jeans on before I take the duvet from her and she walks to her bed , picking up a pillow and handing it to me too . I nod at her before turning and walking to her door , stopping as I stand in the frame . I look over my shoulder at her . " Can't I just stay with you ?" I ask , sounding very desperate . " I don't think .." , " I already have to be out by dawn Heaven - Leigh , we can make a pillow wall . I just .. I know neither of us will get a good night's rest knowing that the other one is so close , yet so far . " Her eyes flick over to the bed and I bite on my bottom lip , hoping she'd agree . Her eyes drag over to me before she blows out a breath . " Fine . " she grits out and I have to bite down on my teeth to stop the smile from crossing my face . She's caving . " But no sharing a blanket , got it ?" she cocks her head at me and I nod before rounding the bed . I watch as she places pillows down the middle of the bed and a blanket to top it off . She really doesn't want to touch me , it kind of hurts a man's ego . She climbs into the bed , tugging her duvet to her side and turns her back to the pillow wall . I sigh , putting the pillow and duvet on the bed before sliding into it , throwing the duvet over me and I rest my head on the pillows . " Goodnight ." I mutter and she switches off her bedside lamp , leaving the room in complete darkness . " Night ." she mutters before shifting and then it was complete silence , it was so quiet that I swear I could hear the blood run through my veins .

It felt like hours has passed , but I still couldn't sleep . The mere thought of her laying right here , right behind this pillow was driving my crazy , I was hard and the way her scent fills my nostrils was giving me goosebumps all over my skin . I shift , turning on my side , facing the pillow . Plopping myself up on my elbow , I peek over the material , surprised to see her awake . She's staring at the wall intently and I absentmindedly reach over to her , placing my hand on her arm and she whips around , staring at me with wide eyes . " What are you doing ?" she asks and I look at my hand , pulling it back . My mouth opens , but there's nothing coming out . " I um , I can't sleep ." I mutter , my heart beating out of my chest . Never in my life has one person made me this nervous , it's a new feeling . " I'll happily knock you out if that's what you're asking . " She raises her eyebrows at me and I chuckle at her joke . " What's so funny ?" her eyes narrow into slits .

Oh , she's not joking .

" Why are you awake ?" I ask , changing the subject from me to her . " None of your business . " she rolls her eyes while turning her back to me again . " Why don't you trust me ?" I mutter , regretting the question as it leaves my mouth . A sigh escapes her lips before she shifts , laying

flat on her back . " Because you hurt me Grayson , and even if every bone in my body is aching for you to hold me , I can't because I need someone who I can trust , who chooses me over everything else ." she breathes out , staring up at the ceiling .

I understand her point , but why can't she understand me ? I did not have control over my mind , I didn't want to hurt her .

" The night I came to that bonfire , looking for you to reject you and I offered you sex .." Wow , I was stupid .

" What about it ?" she grits out . " I didn't offer you sex for the rejection , I was offering myself to you because my heart knew that I loved you , but my mind was blindsided by that stupid spell and I didn't think straight . I think deep down , I knew that I needed to break free , but I didn't know from what . But you should have been the one who realized that something was off Heaven - Leigh . I don't blame you , but what wolf refuses their mate ? None and you should have been the one to save me ." I sigh , plopping down on my back . I notice from the corner of my eye how she sits up straight , turning to look at me . Her hands were clutching the pillow tightly as she stares at me .

" I thought you were a heartless douchebag that didn't deserve anything , not a happy life with your chosen mate and that's why I didn't accept your rejection Grayson , because I refused to be the only one who was going to hurt ." she croaks out , her voice shaky and I squeeze my eyes shut . I did not want to upset her , I'm making things worse .

" I wasn't heartless . I was mind controlled ." I breathe out , hoping that she would understand . Silence fall between us , it felt like thin ice cracking , slowly and intensely . " And I wasn't enough to break it ." she murmurs before standing up and strides out of the room . I sigh as I sit up , looking at the time . It's three am and I have to be out in three hours . I swing my legs off the bed and stand to my feet , following her to the kitchen . I lean against the wall , watching her in the light of the refrigerator . The bright white light shines onto her face , making her skin look soft and her green eyes pop . " Just go back to bed , you have like three hours to sleep ." she murmurs , sounding defeated and tired . " I can't sleep knowing you're this upset ." I tilt my head , resting it against the wall . She whips around fast , glaring at me . " Don't act like you're my boyfriend Grayson , don't act like we are something and don't act like you care ." , " Woah , I might not be your anything , but I do care because you're my everything ." I shake my head at her , feeling exhausted to have this fight over , over and over again . " Just because she isn't around anymore ." she snarls , her face twitching up in disgust . " Don't do that , I could have tried to break her free , I could have let her escape , but I didn't , because I hated her when I realized what she had done ." I sigh , raking my hand through my hair as I stride over to her . She steps back as I get too close and it felt as if I wanted to yell , but I couldn't . " I am not going to hurt you ." I frown . " Couldn't even if you tried ." she scoffed . " Then why are you backing away from me ?" I raise a questioning eyebrow . " Because I don't want you kissing me again ." she mutters . Unfortunately for her , I heard her heart skip a beat as she said that . She's a good liar , but her heart isn't . " Are you sure ?" I tilt my head , stepping closer . I notice her throat tightening as she gulps and I inwardly smirk , I know she wants me -- she's just stubborn .

" Yes ." she answers flatly , no emotion in her voice . " Prove it ." I shrug as I close the distance between us , her eyes fixed on mine as she glances up at me . It felt as if my heart was about to burst out of my ribcage at her seductive look . There was complete silence between us as we stared at each other , her eyes flicking between mine . Her eyes darken the longer she looks at me before she scoffs . " Fucking hell ." she turns to the side , wanting to walk away , but my hand grabs her wrist , stopping her from running away . " Face it ." I plead with her . " I don't want to ." she shakes her head , pulling back . I let her walk until I hear keys jiggle , my head snaps to the door and Heaven - Leigh freezes on her spot . She grabs me by the arm , tugging me back to her room and shoves me inside . " Stay here and shut up ." she whispers angrily before shutting the door in my face . Who could be here this time of the morning ? I hear giggles and I enhance my hearing . Realizing that it was only her best friend , Mia , I back up and sit down on the bed , patiently waiting for her to come to come back to the room .

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Chapter 39 - His Heavenly Mate

HEAVEN - LEIGH'S POV

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Mia stumbles through the door , giggling as she locks eyes with me . " What a time to come home ." I tease , making her roll her eyes at me . " It's still early ." she waves it off , shrugging as she kicks the door shut . She's a little drunk , but who cares ? The best thing about being werewolves is that if we do get drunk , our bodies heal so miraculously while we sleep , we never have hangovers that humans have . We just get up as if we never partied .

" I'm hungry ." Mia states dramatically , pointing towards the kitchen and I smile as I follow her to the fridge . I pull out the bar chair at the kitchen island , pulling on Mia's arm . " You sit down ." I chuckle , her rosy cheeks rising as she smiles sweetly at me . " You're a good friend ." she slightly slurs , her eyes looking heavy as they flutter shut and back open again . " What do you want to eat ?" I ask as I search through the fridge for something . " Pizza ." she smiles . " Not at this hour . How about a grill cheese ?" I offer . She hums softly in response and I turn to find her resting her elbow on the island , her head resting in her hand . Her smile was so innocent and happy that I couldn't even be annoyed at her for wanting food at three in the damn morning . I grab the cheddar , gouda and parmesan before grating it together onto a plate . I butter six slices of bread , spreading the cheese on three slices of bread . Putting the rest of the three slices on top of the others , I grab a pan , putting it on the gas stove , igniting the flame with the lighter . Keeping my hand above the pan , I keep track of the heat before frying the bread on the pan . Turning , I find Mia texting someone , a shy smile crossing her face . " Who are you texting ?" I smirk as I put a plate with a grilled cheese in front of her . " Jason ." she murmurs , putting her phone down before eating the grill cheese , her eyes finding the third grilled cheese . " Hungry

much ?" she teases and I bite down on my lip , scolding myself for absentmindedly caring about the asshole sitting in my room , but I guess he's hungry . " Yeah , I'm heading to bed . Sleep well . " I mutter before picking up the plate filled with two grilled cheese sandwiches . " Night . " she chimed happily while shoving her face . I grunt as I pad down the hall , back to my room . Opening the door , I find Grayson dressed , his shoes on and his keys in hand . " Is she asleep ?" he asks , pointing out the door and I hurriedly enter , closing the door behind me . " No , so get comfortable and get back to bed . " I grit out , pointing to the bed and shoving the plate in his hand , picking up the top grilled cheese . His eyes flicked down to the plate , as if thinking that I would poison him . " It's just grilled cheese . " I frown at him , raising an eyebrow . " Thanks . " I don't miss the small smile that creeps up the side of his lip . Goddess me , that smile is going to kill me . I hurriedly look away , eating my grilled cheese sandwich as I stare out of the window uncomfortably . " So your friend lives with you ?" he asks and I roll my eyes , why do men always make small talk ? It's not attractive .

" Yep , it's our apartment . " I mutter between bites . " It's a nice apartment . "

More small talk , lovely .

I nod while I continue to eat . " This is , wow . " he mumbles with a mouth filled with food . " I know . " I shrug him off , I might not know how to cook a three course fancy meal , but I can make a hell of a grilled cheese sandwich -- that I am sure of .

" Did you buy it ?" he asks and I turn around faster than lightning . " Does it look bought ?" I ask offensively . His eyes slightly widen and he shakes his head . " No , but it tastes so good , I just thought . " he shrugs , trying to get himself out of the awkward situation . " You thought wrong . " I snap , shaking my head before sitting down on the bed . My head turns to my nightstand , seeing it's almost four in the morning . Goddess , why couldn't it have been six already ? " Do you want me to leave ?" he asks .

Not really .

" Yeah , you can go . I think she's asleep . " I give him a small smile before he nods . I stand up , walking over to the door . " I'll just check . " I mutter , the tension in the room growing fast like the weather changes .

I inwardly curse as I open the door , Grayson right behind me and Mia looking straight at me , her eyes flicking over to Grayson and then back at me . " I thought you were asleep . " I smile warily at her . " And now I know why you wanted to come home so early . " she looks at him again , as if wondering if she's hallucinating . " It's not what it looks like . " I shake my head and a wide smile crosses her face . " Yeah , it definitely doesn't look like your mate is walking out of your room . " her eyes flick down to her phone in her hand , " at four in the morning . " her eyes lock with mine again . " I was just about to leave . " Grayson mutters from behind me and I had the biggest urge to turn around and slap him for opening his mouth . " I can see that . " Mia giggles , she doesn't look mad . She backs up , standing in her door frame as she gestures towards the living room . " Please be my guest , I love watching the walk of shame . " She teases

and now I had the urge to slap her too . " It's not a walk of shame . " I grit out before walking to the living room .

fuck , fuck and fuck !

Why couldn't she just have been asleep ? She probably heard us talk too , that's the only reason I can think of that explains her standing outside of my room with wide eyes .

" I apologize if I caused trouble ." Grayson whispers as he puts the plate down in the sink . " Oh please , she's not my mother ." I frown at him . If I were in trouble , he'd know . The sudden thought of him leaving made my heart ache , but there were things I needed , like space and time -- not that I would ever be with him , but someday I might forgive . The thought of rejecting him flashed through my mind , but my body was too tired to do it . If we broke the bond now , I bet we'd both fall into a coma from pain and exhaustion .

" Bye ." I offer a small and short smile and he nods before awkwardly turning around and opening the door .

Don't leave me .

It's all I could think , but like on que , my heart shatters when he leaves and shuts the door behind him .

I hate the way he makes me feel , I hate that he made my knees weak hours ago and now has me feeling numb just by leaving , like I told him to do .

I wish he was a mind reader , that he actually refused to leave me or that he made up a stupid excuse to stay just for a few more hours . Regret fills my heart as I walk back to my room , I really wish he stayed , I wish he knocked the pillow wall down and pulled me into his arms , keeping me there even if I fought it .

I want him so bad , but I can't be with him . He says he wants to prove to me that he loves me and needs me , but here he goes , leaving me in the early morning and I hate the fact that I won't be able to sleep now .

Crawling back into bed , I inhale the scent that is him . He's on everything , my clothes , my bed , my pillows -- his scent is on every inch of this damn apartment .

Tossing and turning for about half an hour , I crawl over to where he laid , clutching the pillow tightly in my grasp as I wonder where he went , wondering if he had a place to sleep or if he's busy driving home , leaving me here without a second thought -- which is probably what he is doing because it's very unlikely that he stayed .

Engulfing his scent helps as sleep takes over in a matter of minutes , the pillow stuffed against my face and the blanket he used was wrapped around me as if I were a baby .

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GRAYSON'S POV

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I sat in my car about an hour , trying to figure out if I should go home or just text my dad that I will be away on business for a week . It's technically not lying as my mission is to get my mate to accept me , to be with me -- for the sake of my pack , but mostly for myself . Unfortunately , I didn't fall asleep in the car , I stared at her apartment for the longest time until the sun came up . After I drove off to get some breakfast , I couldn't help but think if she might want too . I mean , she did make me a killer of a grilled cheese sandwich , I guess I can pick up some Mc Donalds for her and I guess Mia too , if I am planning on winning her over . Driving through the drive through , I get myself a regular beef big mac meal and I order the beef family sharing meal for them . Driving back to her place , I notice her car still in the parking so she was at home . A deep sigh escapes my lips as I grab their things and head up to their apartment , knocking on the door .

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Chapter 40 - His Heavenly Mate

HEAVEN - LEIGH'S POV

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The knock on the door has my eyes fluttering open in annoyance , but what annoys me more that Mia isn't waking up to get it . I shouldn't be surprised , it's always like this . I pull the duvet off my body , " Fuck sakes ." I curse under my breath as I roll out of the warmth of my bed , the muscles in my feet tightening at the cold tiles . Slipping my feet into my slippers , I walk to the door , still dressed in my black over white t - shirt , my feet dragging over the floor as I felt too tired to lift my feet . Who ever the hell disturbs me this early in the morning , better have a very good excuse . I unlock the door , pulling it open and my eyebrows raise in shock .

Grayson .

" What are you doing here ?" I ask , my eyes flicking down to the white plastic cups in a holder in his hand , a brown bag with a big red M on it , resting on his arm , against his chest . " I brought food for you and your friend ." He smiles and my stomach does multiple front flips , my heart screaming in joy , not just about the food , but for him , for not leaving me . My heart feels like he might care , but my mind is like hell no , he's using you .

Why can't they just agree ?

" You didn't have to ." I nervously fiddle with the material of my shirt . His eyes trail down the length of my body and I could feel the goosebumps erupt all over my skin -- I hate the way he affects me . Like seriously moon goddess , why him ? Why not a good guy who doesn't hurt me ?

" I really wanted to , plus I didn't think of it , I just did it ." he smiles and I nod , not knowing if I should invite him in or take the things from him . Is he going to go home after this ?

" What is the noise about ?" Mia grumbles irritated and my head turns to her as she pads over to me , where I stood in front of the open door . " I , um .." I couldn't form words as she got closer . A wide smile crosses her face as her eyes lock on Grayson . " Look who's begging now ." she beams , I could tell she was getting off on all of this . " Mia ." I grit out , making her shrug . " What does he want ?" she asks , nudging her head at his direction , as if she didn't want to speak to him . " Good question , ask him that ." I shrug , her head slowly turns to him , a bored expression plastered on her face . " So ?" she asks , her eyebrows raised as she stares at him . Grayson's confused eyes flick to me and then back at her . " So what ?" he asks , awkwardly looking around . I bite my bottom lip , stopping myself from laughing . All of this is just hilariously sad .

" So what do you want ?" Mia asks , her tone flat . Talk about getting out of the wrong side of the bed . " I just brought you girls food ." Grayson smiles warily , his eyebrows knitting together in confusion and Mia's eyebrows shoot up , her eyes flicking to the floor . " For us ?" she asks amused , her voice slightly more cheerful . Of course she can be bought with food . " Yes ." he shrugs , taking the paper bag and handing it to her . " Well why didn't you lead with that ?" she asks baffled , stepping back and my eyes widen as she waves him inside . " Come in !" she chimes happily . Grayson looks at me , as if silently asking for permission and I step aside , gesturing for him to come in and he smiles , showing his pearly white teeth as he walks past me .

Closing the door , I shut my eyes , begging the moon goddess to give Mia the biggest pain in her ass , because my asshole of a mate just bought her over with McDonald's -- fucking food . If it were me , I would have drained his bank account and then buy whatever the hell I want , but no , greasy and oily things are Mia's kryptonite , it opens a straight pathway right to her heart .

" Come sit ." Mia points at the couch next to her as she talks to Grayson and I could feel his discomfort as he sits down . " Leigh , look at all these fries !" Mia chimes like a kid seeing a lot of candy and I smile , walking over to her and I sit down next to her and she hands me a pack . " Want some ?" I offer and Grayson politely shakes his head , declining my offer . " I just ate , I actually planned on just dropping it off ." he mutters as he rakes his dark wavy hair back . " Have somewhere to be ?" I ask , it felt as if something in my chest just hardened , like anger -- but it felt differently .

" No , not at all ." he smiles while looking me straight in the eye , the hard feeling in my chest slightly going away . " I just didn't want to bother ." he shrugs . His body was stiff and my eyes trailed over his muscular arms , my cheeks heating up as I think of his arms wrapped around my waist , his large hands on my body . " Are you okay ?" Mia's concerned voice snaps me out of my heated thoughts . " Yeah , why ?" I act oblivious and Mia raises an eyebrow at me . "

Because you're red in the face ." she points out and I silently scowl at her with my wide eyes before looking over at Grayson , who had a worried expression on his face . " I really am fine . Just feel dehydrated ." I shrug it off and Grayson hurriedly grabs a coke in the white cup and stands up , handing it to me . " Here , it's coke . Have a sip and I'll grab water . Do you have some in your fridge ?" he asks as he makes his way to the fridge . " Yeah ." It felt awkward as I watch him move around our apartment without shyness , I can't even help myself to the bathroom when I'm new in someone else's home . I glance at Mia and she just watches me , eating her fries . " Keeper ." she mouths to me and I roll my eyes , shaking my head before he hands me the bottle of water . " I should probably go ." he motions to the door , his eyes flicking between Mia and I . There was definitely a tense vibe in the air .

" Where to ?" Mia asks curiously and I knew she was asking for me . " I need to find a place to stay a night or two ." he shrugs and I look at Mia , but she jumps to it before I can stop her . " Stay here , you won't be in the way . Our classes start this afternoon anyway so we won't be around much ." she shrugs . I cock my head at her , frowning and she winks at me before looking back up at Grayson . " No , it's alright ." I could feel his eyes on me and I am the only reason he's saying no . " It's fine ." I sigh , I didn't actually mind , well my heart didn't . I just have to stay away . " I'll just sleep on the couch and I'll be out by tomorrow ." he smiles and I shrug . " Stay as long as you need ." I smile , mentally face palming myself . Why the hell did I just say that ? I could see the hope swirling in his eyes . Hope for us .

" You can sleep in Leigh's room , you can just sleep by me ." Mia offers and I frown . " I can't . You know I study late . I need the desk in my room ." I apologize and Grayson shrugs it off . " Don't worry , the couch seems perfectly fine ." he eyes the long couch , it had wide cushions so it wasn't that uncomfortable . " Aren't you going to eat ?" Grayson asks as he eyes the food that I haven't touched yet . " Of course , I just quickly need to use the bathroom ." I excuse myself before rushing to my room , closing the door before hurriedly walking to the bathroom to pee . Washing my hands , I look myself over in the mirror and as I leave the bathroom , I grab a pair of cotton shorts that are short enough to be hidden under this huge t - shirt , but I almost never sit decently , and I did not want to show Grayson my va - jay jay yet again . Coming out of the room , I hear giggles and I frown as jealousy fills my head , but coming around the corner , I find Mia on the phone , talking to someone and Grayson nowhere to be found . Plopping down on the couch next to her , I reach for some fries and ketchup sachets , biting a hole in the corner before squeezing it over the fries . I patiently wait for her to finish to ask where Grayson went , but as the door opens , I see him walk inside with a clothing bag .

Someone went shopping this morning .

" Just needed some clothes ." he whispers and I nod , smiling and I freeze up as he sits down next to me .

I knew it . I knew that letting him stay here would give him ideas of hope for us , hope that I would forgive him . This was such a big mistake . Or is it ?

Smiling , I continue to eat , avoiding eye contact at this close range because I know I will lean in to kiss him . His body is like a magnet to mine , the sparks are already erupting from his arm

brushing against mine and I'm going to lie if I say that I don't enjoy it , because I do , with my whole heart .